

# City of Concord Weekly City Manager Newsletter

November 8, 2013

### SEWALLS FALLS BRIDGE CLOSURE FOR SOIL BORINGS

Next week, soil boring investigations will be conducted in the vicinity of the Sewalls Falls Bridge, as follows:

On **Monday, November 11th**, soil borings will be completed adjacent to the south/west side bridge abutment, which will be accessed through the NH Fish & Game Department's boat ramp property. There will be no impact to Sewalls Falls Road or the recreational facility.

On **Tuesday, November 12th**, soil borings will be conducted adjacent to the north/east side bridge abutment <u>requiring closure of Sewalls Falls Road</u>. The road will be closed from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM to complete the work required for the final design of the replacement bridge.

### PENACOOK UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

The utility vault at the intersection of Merrimack Street and Village Street has been set. On Monday and Tuesday, November 11th and 12th, the second of three structures will be set in the northbound lane, on the north side of the bridge. Once again, a large crane will be used to set this structure.

The bridge deck membrane and paving on the southbound lane of the bridge has been completed and the traffic pattern has now been shifted to the southbound lane so that work on the northbound lane can begin.



### **LOUDON ROAD WATER MAIN PROJECT**

Early next week, the contractor will finish connecting water services to the new main on Loudon Road, between Woodcrest Heights and Old Loudon Road. Later in the week, finish paving of the main line trench (two center lanes) will occur from East Side Drive to Old Loudon Road. **NOTE:** This work will take one day and will occur between 7:00 AM and 3:00 PM. Traffic will be reduced to one lane in each direction between East Side Drive and Old Loudon Road.

#### ALLIED LEATHER TANNERY CLEANUP

Environmental cleanup of the Allied Leather and Amazon Realty sites in Penacook is underway. The contractor for the project has mobilized to the site and begun to remove vegetation and overburden soils to expose buried concrete slabs. Weather permitting, work is scheduled to continue through the end of December. Cleanup activities will then shut down for the winter, and will resume in the spring. The project is scheduled to be completed in mid-summer 2014. The total cost of the cleanup (including engineering) is approximately \$1.346 million, of which the City's share is \$297,000. The balance of the project is being financed with grants from the US Environmental Protection Agency, Capital Regional Development Council, and the NH Department of Environmental Services.

### MUNICIPAL OFFICES CLOSED

In observance of Veteran's Day, City offices and the Concord Public Library will be closed on Monday, November 11th. Trash and recycling collection routes will run on schedule, Monday through Friday, next week.

## FALL LEAF COLLECTION CONTINUES



The General Services Department has three crews working throughout the City vacuuming up leaves placed at the curb. This will continue for the next several weeks, or until snow covers the leaves. Residents are asked to place their unbagged LEAVES ONLY, NO BRUSH, loose at the curb.

On Monday, November 11th, crews will be picking up leaves in the blocks that are bounded by Pleasant Street to Washington/Centre Street, from Spring Street to North Fruit Street, while the High School is closed for Veteran's Day.

Residents may take their leaves to the Ft. Eddy Road Reprocessing Center and drop them off at no charge; however, the leaves will have to be dumped out of any bags at the site. Weather permitting, the Reprocessing Center will be open on the following four Saturdays, from 8:00 AM to noon: November 9th, 16th, 23rd, and December 7th.

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## CONCORD PUBLIC LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

### **Children's Programs**

Family Storytime
Wednesday, November 13
10:30 AM

Paws for Pages
Wednesday, November 13
3:30 PM

After School Lego Club Thursday, November 14 3:30 PM



### **Teen Programs**

**Teen Advisory Group Meeting**Wednesday, November 13
4:30 PM

Teens may make their voices heard on topics such as improving the teen web pages, creating original programming, and the future of teen services at the Library. Meetings are held in the Shakespeare Room and free snacks are always provided. Grades 6-12.



### **CONCORD'S NEW FRONT DOOR**

The Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce is hosting a public meeting to discuss images illustrating the results of ideas that came out of a public charrette focused on improving the appearance of downtown Concord from I-93. The meeting will take place on **Tuesday**, **November 19th**, **5:30-7:30 PM**, at the Grappone Conference Center. Please RSVP to info@concordnhchamber.com.

### PENACOOK VILLAGE ZONING STUDY

The first public forum for the Penacook Village zoning study will be on **Saturday, November 23rd**, **10:00 AM - 1:00 PM**, at the United Church of Penacook. The forum will focus on developing a vision for the village and will discuss the results of a Visual Preference Study. The survey involves rating a series of images that will help to define what type of development is desirable in the village. Please visit the project website at www.visionpenacook.com to learn more about the study and participate in the survey.

### NEWS FROM THE 'BEAV

This past week, Beaver Meadow Golf Course finished adding and improving drainage on the 2nd, 14th, and 16th fairways, which will help with turf conditions and overall playability. Later this month, staff will begin working on expanding the driving range to allow more space for users of the range and an area for increased golf lessons.



In honor of Veteran's Day, on Monday, November 11th, all veterans and active duty personnel will receive a free green fee (carts are additional). A Military ID is required.

### KIMBALL PARK BASKETBALL COURT

In collaboration with the Concord Boys & Girls Club, the Frank Monahan Foundation and the Concord Parks & Recreation Department, new basketball backboards and poles have been installed at the new court at Kimball Park. The new court is being built for the city as part of the approved renovations at the Concord Boys & Girls Club, which sits on City land.



#### WINTER BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

The Parks & Recreation Department is currently accepting registration for their upcoming winter basketball league. Teams are offered for boys and girls, four years of age right up to high school. Early bird registration deadline is November 15th. For more information, visit <a href="www.concordnh.gov/recreation">www.concordnh.gov/recreation</a> or call 225-8690.